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said lubricating oil or [the]  $\underline{a}$  base oil of said lubricating grease is [one]  $\underline{a}$  lubricating oil selected from among [(a)] mixtures of poly- $\alpha$ -olefin or hydrogenated compound thereof and ester [and (b) ester] wherein, a plurality of bearing surfaces are formed on the inner periphery of said bearing body so as to be separated from one another and, the inner diameters of said bearing body at areas between the bearing surfaces are arranged so as to be greater than the inner diameters at areas on the bearing surfaces except the hydrodynamic pressure generating grooves.

6. (Amended) A spindle motor for information equipment, comprising a rotating shaft rotating with rotating components of the information equipment, a bearing for supporting the rotating shaft, and a rotor and stator arranged so as to face each other via a prescribed gap, wherein:

said bearing comprises a porous bearing body of sintered metal having a bearing surface opposed to a sliding surface of the rotating shaft via a bearing clearance, and hydrodynamic pressure generating grooves [slating] slanting against an axial direction provided in the bearing surface, and lubricating oil or lubricating grease impregnated in pores inside the bearing body; and

said lubricating oil or [the]  $\underline{a}$  base oil of said lubricating grease is [one]  $\underline{a}$  lubricating oil selected from among [(a)] mixtures of poly- $\alpha$ -olefin or hydrogenated